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In re application of:

Uwe Heitmann

Appl. No. 09/482,679

Filed: January 14, 2000

For: APPARATUS FOR MAKING A
STREAM OF TOBACCO SHREDS

Art Unit: 1731

Examiner: Carlos N. Lopez

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Preliminary Amendment

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants submit the following Preliminary Amendment.